

Proclamation

IN RECOGNITION of "HARMONY BAPTIST CHURCH"

WHEREAS, Harmony Baptist Church was organized in the city of Augusta, Georgia, in the spring of 1868 by Reverend William Jefferson White; the name "Harmony" was given to this group of Christian workers at the Springfield Baptist Church of Augusta; and

WHEREAS, Harmony's origin started in the southern part of town in a grove and today, worship is held in the beautiful structure located at 930 Hopkins Street which was erected in 1990; and

WHEREAS, Harmony has only had seven pastors in 140 years, the first pastor and founder, Reverend Dr. William Jefferson White, principal founder of Morehouse College; Morehouse College's second home was here on the grounds of Harmony Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Harmony Baptist Church is currently led by the Pastor, Reverend Dr. Woodrow Miller, Jr.; his commitment is to win souls to Christ and create a "City of Hope"; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Deke Copenhaver, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim May $11^{\rm th}$, 2008, as "HARMONY BAPTIST CHURCH DAY" in Augusta, Georgia, on the occasion of its $140^{\rm th}$ Anniversary celebrating faithful Christian service to the community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 11th day of May, 2008.

Given under my hand This 11 th day of May 2008
Deke Copenhaver

Mayor